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## Media Advisory

Chief McManus to Announce New Program to House Child Protective Services Special Investigators at Police Substations

What: News Conference

Who: San Antonio Police Chief William McManus

Child Protective Services Regional Director Sherry Gomez

Bexar County District Attorney Susan Reed

Bexar County Sheriff Ralph Lopez

When: Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup>

3:00 PM

Where: East Side Police Substation

Roll Call Room 3635 E. Houston

The San Antonio Police Department has partnered with Child Protective Services and the Bexar County District Attorney's Office to adopt a new program aptly named A.C.T. or "Abused Child Team".

The mission of A.C.T. is to further address the health and safety of the children in our community and to prevent child abuse.

Child Protective Services Special Investigators will now be assigned to all six (6) police substations and work alongside police officers. They will work together to locate victims of abuse which have been proven difficult to find.